

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

RAMAN KUMAR,)	CASE NO. C05-0481-RSL-MAT
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	ORDER GRANTING STAY
)	OF REMOVAL
ALBERTO GONZALES, United States)	
Attorney General,)	
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Respondent.)	
_____)	

Petitioner has filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, challenging a final order of removal. (Dkt. #2). At the same time, petitioner filed a motion for an emergency stay of his removal. (Dkt. #2).

Respondents have replied that they have no objection to such a stay, pending a decision on the merits of the instant habeas petition. (Dkt. #9).

Accordingly, the Court does hereby find and ORDER:

(1) Petitioner's request for a temporary stay of removal is GRANTED, and petitioner's removal is STAYED pending the resolution of the habeas corpus action in this Court.

(2) The Court expresses no views at this time as to the merits of petitioner's habeas petition.

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01 (3) The Clerk shall direct a copy of this Order to all counsel of record, and shall forward
02 a copy of this Order to Judge Theiler.

03 DATED this 26th day of April, 2005.

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05 Robert S. Lasnik
06 United States District Judge

07 Recommended for Entry
08 this 22nd of April, 2005.

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10 s/ Mary Alice Theiler
11 United States Magistrate Judge
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